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of this was by reason of defective ap-

and that we should do so

present at least, as we c

see what remedies he can suggest.

HILLSBORO HIGH SCHOOL

ganization was formed at Commence

one who was unavoidably absent.

These graduates had attended all the

desire to keep alive the friendship

Hillsboro High School has had a

formed while here.

Hillsboro High School Alumni, Or-

\$1.00 A YEAR

## OWLS OF POEAHONTAS CO.

BY LIGON PRICE

There are six different species of owls known to be in Pocahontas Coun hannon on March 14th. ty, and probably eight. Namely, the great horned owl, barred or spruce will meet the first boy's team on Feb-day night, with all the members presowl, screech owl, sawwhet owl, barn ruary 18th at 8 p. m. on the local ent J. W. Milligan, Mayor; W. L. or monkey faced owl, and the snowy floor. or arctic owl. These all have records for this county.

They ones that have no record of kins Gollege girls' team. having been taken here are short ear- Editor Calvin Price chaperoned there is no record for this county so well as a great defeat. far, although they may have been here at some time.

the screech owl. These too may be defeated. found at all times close to and on farms throughout the county. The The screech owl is only found about to complete their high school course the poultry yard when driven by hun- in three and one-half years. ger, and it is so small that it can not do much damage. There are two color phases of this owl, the red and Gladys Clark made records of perfect the grey. Ornithologists have not attendance during the first semester. yet found out or agreed upon any rea- All parents should insist on their

The barred or spruce owl is not so plentiful about the farms, but keeps back in the deep spruce woods and enthusiastically received on last Satmountains, where they can be found urday night. in abundance. They are occasionally pecially during severe winter weather "Athletics," was well received. when they come out in search of food.

It derives its name from its cry which | resembles the sound made by the saw of West Virginia Wesleyan College, on one of the old time up and down will preach the annual sermon to the sawmills while being filed. Its food senior class. consists of mice and insects.

killed in the county. Mr. A. R. commencement address. Smith has a mounted specimen which was killed in the spring of 1914. This the Davis and Elkins College girls on

not uncommon, but here it is very rare. A few have been seen on the higher mountains. There is record of one having been killed at Greenbank one winter during the early fifties. This owl is very wild and it.

Mary Eskridge, forwards, and Ireta Herold and Genivieve Yeager, guards we must draw \$1811.17 from and Bascom Kirk '17, College of Agreenbank one winter during the early fifties. This owl is very wild and Genivieve Yeager, guards we must draw \$1811.17 from and Bascom Kirk '17, College of Agreenbank one winter during the early fifties. This owl is very wild and Genivieve Yeager, guards we must draw \$1811.17 from and Bascom Kirk '17, College of Agreenbank one winter during the early fifties. This owl is very wild and Genivieve Yeager, guards we now have in hands lacks \$825.45 of being chough. In other words, April 1st, without incurring any adherence we would be hard. hunts in daylight as well at night.

to man-in fact, all are with the exception of the great horned owl.

According to Dr. A. K. Fisher's report on the food of hawks and owls, issued by the Biologic Survey in 1893, the owl is one of our best friends. He tablulates the results of examinations of the stomachs of owls.

Thus our little screech owl feeds chiefly on mice and insects. Only one in which the owls pass the day. achs of screech owls examined by Dr. Fisher contained the remains of poul-

us, but only a few appreciate this seventy-seven out of one hundred and one stomachs, had mice remains; and the same injurious little rodents were the same injurious little r the same injurious little rodents were Owls nest in holes of trees or in dethe small mammals eaten by owls are rolled into oblong pellets in the stomach and are elected at the mouth.

These pellets may often be found Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Moore in large numbers beneath the roosts a son.

der than ever before.

### EDRAY DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

The basket ball team is making preparations to participate in the all high school tournament at the West THE NEW COUNCIL MEETS AND MAYOR MIL Wirginia Wesleyan Colloge, at Buck-

The Elkins high school quintet

to Elkins to play the Davis and El-

ed and the long eared owls. These the following: French Moore, Hull have records for the State and are not Yeager, Frank McLaughlin, Fred uncommon in some sections, especially the short eared owl. These two

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where the boys played their first

the re-establishment of the plant de
are either defective or nied intelli
are either defective or nied intellispecies are admitted on that basis for game: All reported a great time as

Miss' Myers accompanied Marie Smith, Pleas Richardson, Gennvieve The most common of the owls that Yeager, Mary Eskridge and Hazel we have are the great horned owl and their opening game. They also were

Lena Morrison, of Renick, has engreat horned owl's fondness for the bas enrolled. Many others should poultry yard is often his undoing. has enfoned. Many continuity

Zoe Crummett, Lily Sharp and children having similar records for the second semester.

The Hampton Court Singers were

Mr. Calvin Price conducted the seen about the farms, but more es- chapel service on Monday. His talk,

The election for the second annual The saw whet owl is one of our rare inter-society contest resulted as folspecies of owl, only a few records for lows: Debate - Mary Eskridge, French the county. The writer killed one in Moore, Bessie Hannah and Frank the spring of 1913, the only one he McLaughlin. Essays-Pleas Richardhas ever seen. It is the smallest of son, Margery Warwick; Orationsour owls, of a cinnamon color, and is Marie Smith and Hull Yeager; Readnot near so large as the screech owl. ings-Mamie White and John Besling. Dr. Wallace Fleming, President

Hon. J. Frank Marsh, secretary of

The barn or monkey faced owl is the State Board of Regents and State also rare, only a very few ever seen or Board of Education, will deliver the

The girls basket ball team played is the only record so far as the writer the Elkins floor on Friday February knows. This owl is a grey and buff 1st. The score was 36 to 10 in favor colored bird, about 18 thiches long, of the College girls. That team will and resembles a hawk more than an play here on Friday February 8th at affairs for the next ten months. Every one should help our The snowy or arctic owl is a large girls win by attending and cheering. white owl, with black dotted feath- The line up at Elkins was Marie ers; larger than the horned owl. They Smith, center; Bessie McGraw and luck than we have had in expense, by come to us from the north where it is Mary Eskridge, forwards, and Ireta

ties. This owl is very wild, and it sented copies of the Geographical ditional expense we would be bank-Magazine, and Mrs. Woodyard of the Many of the owls are very valuable Marlinton Hospital presented copies of Art Portfolios. These gifts will be of great service to that dhpartment The school will study present during the year. Day Democracy speeches by leading

> Miss Lowe's Food Demonstration meal was largely attended by the ladies of the town.

owls Dr Fisher found the remains of cessary, we dispense with the service try, while mice were found in ninetytry, while mice were found in ninetythan 225 were meadow mice. This but in order to comply with our statshows of what value our owls are to Of the short eared or marsh owl, us, but only a few appreciate this whose only duty will be to act as

found in eighty-four out of one hundred and seven stomachs of the long eared owl. The bones and hair of a white color. They usually

### TOWN COUNCIL

LIGAN MAKES AN INAUGURAL ADDRESS

Town Council was in session Mon-Deering, Recorder; G. W. Sharp, E. The girls' basket ball team will go C. Ambrose, D. W. Williams, J. W.

premium on bond to be paid by the

Council will hold regular monthly meetings, on the first Monday night expect to do much owing to weath of each month, in the Eskridge build-

The new Mayor made the following address, which gives a clear insight of the town's affairs:

"The statuatory law governing us provides that I, as your executive officer, 'shall from time to time recommend to the council such measures as he may deem needful for the welfare of the town.

In order to properly get before you the recommendations that I shall take the liberty of making, at present, a brief review of our affairs as commencement, functions, showing The course in Physiology will be they now stand, is necessary. The financial statement of the administradesire to keep alive the friendship. We are glad to welcome by tion preceding is before you, and from it you will see that we have only \$1437.03 in hand and only a probable \$500.00 to come in from all sourcesbeing \$225 from public utilities, \$75 from redemptions, \$50 from fines and \$250 from licenses-until tax collection time in November, making \$1937.03 as our total revenue. If you turn to the statement from our municipal plant you will find that in recognized by the state board. Stuthan ever, and the educational value order to liquidate its account to February 1st, by giving it credit from \$276.72 in the hands of the manager, and probable collections from delinjuents of \$200, making \$476.72; taking this from the amount reported as owing, \$1427.50, leaves us \$950.78 to come from our revenue account of \$1937.03, which would have us \$986.25 with which to conduct the town's

The membership of this organizaBrownsville, Pa., sent us

ipal plant will yield no revenue-prior to April 1. Should we have no worse that time, for February and March Guy Overholt '17, Ralph Buckley '16, H. S. rupt, \$825.45 in debt.

This is a condition and not a theory that presents itself. We have an interest account of \$1620.00 to meet

As it presents itself to me, we have a very sick patient on our hands, needing heroic treatment, and I feel of practical recipies for using corn that we, like a good surgeon, should not hesitate to apply the knife. For myself, I will not shirk the obvious

I therefore recommend-first, that In ten hundred castings of the barn until such time as we may deem nefeel that by the appointment of one or two special police, whose compensation would come from arrests, etc., I can take care of the town's safety.

I approach my second recommendation with the assurance that nothing but the kindlest feelings prompts what I have to say. You can very naturally know, I feel some hesitation in making myself your goat, but I am forced to this by reason of the responsibilities I have sworn to perform. If you will recall my introductory remarks, you will find that our municipal utility shows an avermonthly expenditure, including

item of this is \$331.50 for labor, exlusive of labor for improvements. I have to submit to you that this does not show good management. Some paratus, but I submit that when this was discovered some measure of re-lief should have been found before we results are somewhat more satisfactowere bankrupt. January labor shows ry than the mid-year examinations of truth about Florida was laid bare cess would go to items of repair by reason of the fire. Still this leaves Deering, Recorder; G. W. Sharp, E. C. Ambrose, D. W. Williams, J. W. Baxter and S. J. Rexrode.

The most important matter of light for the town was taken up, and the council decided to employ an electrical engineer, Mr. Allan, of the Fair-all engineer, Mr. Allan, of the fire. Still this leaves the saddents have, in the saddents have, in the main, done good work. Many of the mai

> entitles them to another examinat I therefore recommend that for the conditions, that we do away with the manager, turn over to the treasurer the funds in his hands, call in an expert to go over the whole, matter and

offered this semester: Rural Sociolog Book-keeping; School Managemen Child Study, School Hygeine, Physi logy, Com. Geography, and Physic In Rural Sociology, the lessons pre-pared by the National Bureau of Ed acation on Community and Nationa ment time last year. All the gradu- Life will be used. The text for this ates of the school were present but caurse is Hart's Educational sources of Village and Rural Schools Three chapters of this text were pre

and doing more each year. It was H. M. Harr, the club agent for th established in 1910 and was made district, has begun the organization first class two years later, and still of clubs. Every boy and girl who can possibly do so should enroll in holds this classification. In 1914 the some one of these clubs. The finanhas always been very high. Beside dents finishing this course receive a it will be doing a great service for our country for Food will Win the number one certificate. Domestic science, manual training, and agri- War."

culture are meeting the practical We owe our thanks to two of our graduates for Victoria records. Ruth needs of the community. An additional plot of land was bought for Kline, who is teaching a Cass, made the school a Christmas graph of records tion are engaged in various forms of is test victor records. We have enjoyed all of them, but especially the "Long Boy." It is a plasure to know the loyalty of our graduates, They are always welcome to the H. suing college work; Hubert Kidd 16, College of Arts and Science, W. V. U.

"Tag Your Shovel Day" was fit-tingly observed at Hillsboro. All of "Uncle Billy's" shovels were tagged and he himself wore a tag part of the day. The shovels in the communit William Cackley '15 and Nora Kidd William Cackley '15 and Nora Kidd were pretty generally taged. There is very little coal being wasted here and Lynn Overholt '15, are in the The Shakespere Literary Society gave their first program for this sem-ester Friday afternoon. The change from the evening to the afternoon employ of the railroad company at Brownsville, Pa.; Charles Smith '13, railroad office at Charleston; and Marshall Fuller '16 is an automobile salesman in Charleston; Glenn Clark, postal clerk, Hillsboro. was made to conserve fuel. All on the program responded except one.

The following are teaching: Bertha
Overholt '13, Elkins; Dakota Kirk
'14, Hillsboro; Hallie Burr '15, Richwood: Ruth Kline '15, Cass; Ulric the most interesting features was the
Grimes '15, Millpoint; Orlena VaughMother Goose Dramatization by pupulse of grades one to four. pils of grades one to four. an '16, Holden; Cornelia Marshall '16 The war bread demonstrator Sunlight, Clyde Grimes '17, Jacox: Bradford Grimes '17, Lobelia; Miri-

am Hill '17, Marvin Chapel. Last but not least, are the boys who

Before the organization adjourne it was decided to have a busin meeting and a banquet during the commencement week of 1918, the date of which was to be set at a later time. The graduating class of 1918 will be initiated at this time making

Dakota Kirk, President. Orlena Vaughan, Secretary.

The Warn Lumber Corporation is preparing to rebuild their large store house, recently destroyed by fire. Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Campbell, February 1, 1918, a son

## HILLSBORO HIGH SCHOOL THE WHOLE TRUTH

The first semester came to a close January 25. The last two days were given over to examinations, which all | Editor Pocahontas Times: students were required to take. The last year. The percentages returned before every man and woman in the indicate that the students have, in United States there would many

stroyed by fire a month ago.

W. A. Eskridge was elected sergeant, to receive \$3 a day for the time he is employed; bond fixed at \$3500; after they have spent some time review. All students who make per cent and who are not absent mor than ten days nor tardy more than ten times will be excused from the last semester's examinations.

We are glad to welcome back chool Fay Darnell. Fay lacks only one unit of the required sixteen for graduation. She will take regular rapid growth and is broadening out work this semester.

be with us Saturday, February 9. Every one should use war breads and this is an opportunity to see an expert make them.

### **BOYER SIDING** We are having very cold weathe

at this time—taking lots of wood and

Robert Levie, the store manager, has gone to his home in Pennsylvania th spend a few days with his family. A. D. Neil, who has been away on business, has returned. Cam Tallman and son were at Mar-

inton Monday on business. The band mill is running every

C. P. Kerr and wife were the guests of J. B. Nottingham last week. Rev. Lambert is going to move to C. R. Moore's place where he expects

to do some farming. Otto, the North Fork Lumber Co's

ing the switches open. School is progressing nicely with

### NOTTINGHAM--KIRK

Married, on February 2, 1918, at Ronceverte, Robert Julian Nottingham and Miss Dakota Kirk, Rev. T. A. Burch officiating minister. The bride the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Kirk, of Hillsboro, and one of the teachers in the Hillsboro Graded school. The groom is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Z. J. Nottingham, of Boyer, and holds a lu-crative position with the North Fork Lumber Company.

Report of fourth month of Curry shool, Willie Sheets, teacher. Those white made perfect attendance this month—Edwin, Bernice, Henry and Beryl Sheets, Flick, Olive and Walter Teter, Lyle and Kyle Hudson. Percent of attendance 88.

Thos. J. Shryock, president of the St. Lawrence Boon Co., and for 27 years Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons, of Maryland, died t his home in Baltimore last week.

# ABOUT FLORIDA

There is nothing better to give a man than the truth. If the whole

cial effort; to all such our advice walking around when on receipt of a would be to stay away, or at least to telegram he was lodged in jall. investigate conditions before making any sacrifice of home property.

If you are, a working plan, and to kill a grisley bear. have made a success in your line of business at home, and, for reasons he did not dis card his uniform. best known to yourself, you desire to Holding on to thut will do much to come here to try your fortune, ap- that is what he has to contend with. plying business principles in your It may be that shooting himself will daily avocations, and working as you be the more serious charge as that is work at home, in many respects the not to be excused in a soldier. Once chances are in your favor in Florida.

those coming with nothing definite proof of this is very severe. in view no fixed purpose, nor place upon which to work. To all such this country, with all its advantages spell nothing but disappointment.

we believe with the same effort here he will live easier than in the north weather conditions being very much in his favor, no coal nor gas bill to pay, neither snow to shovel nor mud to contend with, and he can work out doors almost every day in the year. To the man with a few thousand

coming to the highlands of this or any other county of the state as to that matter, with a like altitude, and engaging in cattle and hog raising, dalrying, poultry business and general farming-growing natal hay, cowpeas, and velvet and castor beans, kaffir corn and sugar cane, sweet and Irish potatoes, field corn, oats and rye, and with a five or ten acre grove well cared for, his fortune is just ahead of him.

As an example of what "Natal Hay" will do: A poor stand on a five acre tract last June was harrowed. and in August it cut three and onehalf tons, and was again harrowed. applying a liberal amount of fertilizer at the same time, and in November Marlinton last week doing service on the hay was cut again, yielding five the Local Board, before whom many and one-half tons-nine tons in all - of our young men were summoned to now worth \$25 per ton.
All things considered, where can

you beat it? E. H. M.

### THE WEATHER

Local weather observer S. L. Brown gives the mean temperature for the month of January at 18 degrees. Mean is the proper word. The warm est was 42 degrees on the 27th and audience on sunday night, at the the coldest 27 below on the 21st. Cass Church. The greatest range on any date was was 45 degrees on the 21st, from 27 below to 18 above; the least was 2 degrees on the 2nd, from 8 to 10 degrees above. Of rainfall there was 6.44 Inches. There was 31 inches of here. ground at the end of the month. There were 2 clear days, 10 partly it was open during the past week, by cloudy, 19 cloudy. Rain or snow fell an enthusiastic and very efficient on 13 days.

Over at Elkins the warmest was 50 degrees on the 26th, 15 below on the 21st; mean 21 degrees, while normal is 29 degrees. The highest for the month in 20 years was 78 in 1914, and 20 below in 1912 was the lowest. This was the coldest January in 20 years, although the mean for January 1912 was 22 degrees. Rainfall was 5.14 Inches, while normal is 3.34. There was snow to the amount of 19.6. Snow on the ground at the end of month 2.6 inches. 2 clear days, 3 partly cloudy, 26 cloudy.

### MARLINTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Rev. J. M. Walker, Pastor.

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 11 a,m. and 7;30 p.m. Christjan Endeavor at 7, p. m.

The large attendance at Sunday School last Sunday notwithstanding the cold weather gives us hope that we may from this time on have our usual number of saholars present each Sunday. These are too impor Otto, the North Fork Lumber Co's tant lessons to miss. Let every P. T. Ward qualified as notary pubtrack walker, has quite a time keep-scholar try to be present next Sunday. lic. The application of E. C. Bush

Ligon Price and French Hoover.

The District Board put the follow-

## OTTO ATKINSON, REMOVED

A detachment of two soldiers arrived here from Camp Shelby, Missississippi, for Otto Atkinson who was in jail here accused of overstaying his time. Atkinson arrived last month on a furlough, and after having what might be described as a very bum vacation, on account of family coolness, shot himself in the chest with a twenty-two gun. The ball hit a rib and glanced around his body lodging under the skin on the back. giving a very decided appearance of having passed through the Atkinson got up and was

The two soldiers that came for were strictly business. Their 44 attomaticks looked powerful enough

Atkinson has this in his favor thatcombat the charge of desertion, if in a while some cowardly soldier will decide that he will cripple himself to Many have been the failures of escape service and the penalty on

### CASS

Mrs. Ervine J. Shaffer entertained the teachers of the public school in a To the average man, however, we most delightful manner Friday evening of last week. Those present were Misses Tutie Cunningham, Anna Correll, Lena McGraw, Ruth Kline, Beulah Moore, Nina Curry, Eolyn Graham Jessie Willett, and Lena Anderson. A fine musical program in the way of vocal and piano solos was rendered and at a seasonable hour delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

LaRue Glosser, a stenographer for the W. Va. Pulp & Paper Co., was taken very ill with typhoid fever a few days sence, and, on Friday of last week F. L. Simpson accompanied him to Washington, D. C. where he was met by his father and taken to his home in Williamsport, Penn.

Mrs. W. A. Hammen returned Monday from Elkins, where she has been a patient in the Davis Memorial Hospital the past four weeks. Her many friends, are pleased to learn of her recovery hnd give her a glad welcome back home.

Dr. Hannah spent several days in appear for physical examination.

Burke McCarty of the Pocahontas Supply Co. has been on the sick list for the past few days.

Miss Jennie Warner was visiting her home folks at Arbovale during the past week.

Eev. H. Blackhurst preached a fine sermon to a large and appreciative

Dana Scott, one of Uncle Sam's boys at Camp Lee, was called to his home in Greenbrier county on account of the death of his mother, and came on to Cass to see his many friends

The Red Cross work room was well attended each of the four afternoons an enthusiastic and very efficient company of our women. The work is well started and this week gives promise of more workers and as a consequence more work done. We are still receiving new members and will have a new membership list to publish soon.

Mrs. Adam Talirienco, while passing the Red Cross work room' being attracted by the company of ladies capped and aproned, buss at the several tables, stepped in to inquire and many cousins in the Italian army, was anxious to join the auxiliary, paid her dollar and went out wearing a happy smile and a Red. Cross button. Would it not be well for others to follow the example of this little foreign woman?

County Court was in session last Tuesday. The poor farm was let to Allan C. Adkison at an annual rental of \$600 a year, and the board of the inmates at \$8 per month. There are usually about six persons at the farm. for notary's commission was endorsed. The next term of court will be ing farmers in the farm exemption the regular March term, the first class, Urish Hevener, Reed Moore, Tuesday, which is the fifth day of the month.

## You Save A Little

but may lose a lot, if you do not take out a policy of fire insurance in time. You are gambling with fate. You may pay one premium or fifty, yet your property can go up in smoke at any time. . Be wise and take out your policy with us before you have re-

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# POULTRY, BUTTER AND EGGS

Mid-Winter Prices

Our market has cleared up after the New Year's rush with very satisfactory prices for all, and thus far we have had a great market for January. The demand for poultry of every description continues to be great and from present prospects the demand will be greater than the supply throughout the winter. In view of his fact and the exc-llent conditions of our market in general, the prices for February are bound to be exceptionally good and in line with the high prices that have prevailed throughout the entire season.

Remember the Washington Anniversary Holiday market. This is always one of the best markets of the year and prices are sure to be high at this time. We have had a great market this year, as a whole, and we are glad to say that the out-look promises a continuation of the same. Our long experience and past record are sufficient evidence to you that we do not misquote the facts and that we have fairly won the reputation of being the MOST RELIABLE poultry house in Philadelphia. Write for further particulars and in the meantime prepare to send your shipments to,

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